lid his duty. He insisted that every thing hould be opened, he looked through every parcel, however small, but he gave no unnecessary trouble and he expected no fee. ndeed. Yucatan is one of the few countries where "tips" are not generally given. It

Club, two squares away. My massy gray walls of the Cathedral of Med-

stroyed by the poisonous wiles of the butchtreatment of the poor little horses that drag ter, its insensibility to the feelings of dumb story edifice covering much ground, with courtyard in the middle, galleries around the club, restaurant, library, etc. In the courtyard a temporary stage had been constructed, for the club was to give a dramatporticos around it, under a brilliant moon, playing a little farce, followed by a zarzuela, ten in rhyme, common in all Spanish countries. But we did not stay long. A greater another part of the city. We hurrled thith-(a private residence which had

COMFORTABLE DRESS.

Their faces are not pretty, but have a very en and women at the ball was perfectly rous and those who had charge of the tertainment were most hospitable. These Mestizos, a mixed race descended from the Maya Indians and their Spanish rors, from the artisan class in Merida, ey do not seem to have inherited the irsty characteristics attributed to of the races from which they have upper bars. led, they are a docile, sweet-tempered quite intelligent and as industrious is can be expected in this tropical climate. They will do you a favor when they can, and they are fairly honest, that is, they will "borrow" your cake of soap, but will eave your \$50 bill untouched. So, at least, ney are described to us, and so we have d, we have not yet missed the cake They speak both Spanish and their sh"-that is, it sounds a little like it ections. There is certainly no other likenext afternoon we took the train

ul, one of the larger villages of Yucan, about fifty miles from the capital. This starting point for the ruins of Uxhere are neither brisk trotters nor or for "The Woman of Samaria." own beds. The first question when we asked for accommodation was, "Have you hammocks?" Luckily we had brought them with us. So we were conducted to the only value and the yard at the back of the house and permeated with evil smells. There were no windows. There were four rings upon the wall for hammocks. My companions came with this information to the dining room, where was talking with the landlord. There was found a grotesque ornamentation rephouse with a thatched roof. Each of these conducted to the only value of the yard at the back of the house and permeated with evil smells. There were no windows. There were four rings upon the wall for hammocks. My companions came with this information to the dining room, where I was talking with the landlord. There was only room, they said, for two hammocks; was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses was found a grotesque ornamentation represented the houses of the present day in Yucatan. Above the roofs of these houses with the statue of a human figure sitting within it. This statue hacienda and only six of them were down hacienda and only six of them were do

modate all. Four rings will go a long way toward providing sleeping quarters in Yuca-

THEY SLEPT LIGHTLY. ruins. Perhaps the "mayoral," or superin last hour I very willingly aroused everybody and insisted upon the immediate preper of the "volan," or "carriage," which was

to take us to the ruins, was already busy hitching his mules, and a little after 5, in

a ridge of low rocky hills which forms the backbone of Yucatan, and beyond this the far back no one knows) there were two Merida a bath was the first necessity, then scale, with many of the evil odors and much | rest of the twenty-four miles to Uxmal was | immigrations into Yucatan; an extensive one | a "square meal," the first for three days. | this makes the demand. I help to fill it, you of us and drove the mules would do the same.

which were a mile and a half away. The walk was intensely hot and uncomfortable. The tropical sun beat upon us violently and the small trees and bushes on each side of the pathway afforded no protection.

A GOOD GUIDE BOOK. The Indian guide could tell us little about perfect as possible after the additional decay of the last fifty years. Of course the great bulk of the city of Uxmal is now de stroyed, but the palaces and temples which Maya people still remain in a remarkable of the old walls and the stately buildings | in which virtue was rewarded and

house, a collection of four long through a "triangular arch," as it is called, mal. In some of them the sides are straight, uine Gothic arch until they reach this fla stone at the top. The Maya people were evidently attempting to do something which

As we entered the triangular arch the courtyard. It was flanked on each side by heavy stone work. The noble building very delicately with small figures in bright colors at the bottom, and a sort of tunic, were grotesque heads, superimposed one were grotesque heads, superimposed one tribes, a strong proof of the social and po-above another. Over three of the doors, the litical consolidation of the country. The one at the center and those at each end, social order was sharply divided. these ornaments extended upward in triangular shape. The remaining part of the cornice was composed of geometrical figures, some of them quite similar to the "Wall of Troy." On the east side of the courtyard priest was his adviser on important questions. was the most beautiful of all the buildings | tions. The priests instructed the children of necklaces and other ornaments.

of Uxmal, and it remains to-day in a relack hair is combed back and markable state of preservation. Here also ligion. The nobles filled the offices and held there are five doorways and above the centure of the nobles filled the offices and held there are five doorways and above the centure. tral door are the same grotesque figures. from the king. The people paid tribute for The rest of the cornice is composed of stone lattice work and above each of the other | were the absolute property of their masters. doorways is an ornament of remarkable Kukulcan suddenly disappeared. The priests beauty, consisting of eight horizontal bars, gave it out that he had taken his flight to smaller at the bottom, larger at the top, with a dragon's head at the end of each logue of the gods. The powerful family of bar, and a head and head-dress remarkably the Cocomes, declaring that their head had like those in ancient Egyptian sculptures, was placed across the middle of the three

FINE ARCHITECTURE. The facade of this east building seems to far kind of architecture, as exquisite in de-

of the Alhambra or the facade of the d them except that, although we have Palace of the Doges. I do not intend to our rooms open and our baggage unpractical application to the uses of modern Maya tongue, a language which is de-ed by the Spaniards here as "quite like of the buildings the ornaments are gratesque of the buildings the ornaments are grotesque and unsatisfactory. None of these structures is large enough to be impressive by reason of its mere size, nor airy and delithose who cannot understand the words, and unsatisfactory. None of these struccate enough to attract us by reason of independent provinces at war with each its airiness and delicacy, but I affirm in respect to the structure which We were nearly four hours on the stands at the east side of the courtyard of A pair of brisk trotters on a good the nuns house at Uxmal, that if the restands at the east side of the courtyard of would have done it in the same time, quirements of modern life, whether for zoood roads in Yucatan. Many of the vil- logical garden, picture gallery, or other pur ges we passed were very picturesque. The bins were oval in shape and had steep, ticular kind, long, low and with many entrances in frances in f were constructed of small poles and trances in front, that no modern architect of trees placed close together, some- could without plagalrism produce its superior cabin had but one room, where all the ly lived, and we could see the groups known designer was one of the world's great architects. Remnants of red paint than Arcadian simplicity. A woman in | were to be seen in the holes of the lattice with a water jug on standing at a well, as a model or "Re"The Woman of The edifice on the west of the courtyard comparatively recent period. Since the land was mostly in ruins, although the elaborate da," or tavern, at Ticul was very | sculptures on the part which remained

Two or three bed rooms, desti- showed that it was even more elaborate. of pestilence and the climate of Uxmal at of furniture, except a chair or two, a The forms of serpents twined together surfew sticks burned upon the bare ground. The mouth of one of these had a human face and a human face in its jaws and there was a long rattle on has been repeopled several times, the original, this was all. We must provide our the tail of the other. On the southern build-

with my brush and had better fortune. Our ece of wax which he had brought for the se, and when any of them got upon our hands the wax was equally convenient for us. We saw thousands of these little creatures upon a single twig or leaf.

THE KING'S PALACE. The next building which we visited was the casa de gobernador, supposed to the king's palace. It was more than four hundred feet angular arches in the facade. Here Stephens found upon the walls some fifty years ago the print of small red hands, not painted, of the high priest, although little is known

long until there were two separate peoples or Itzamna, a great chief who came from jection. He introduced the alphabet (if such capes. It was like Adam naming the beasts priest, also from the West. His name signiles "Serpent Adorned with Feathers," and feet, the priest tore out his heart and offered it to the gods. These sacrifices were much less common here than in Mexico. The victims were prisoners of war or slaves

reserved for sacrifice THE MAYA RELIGION. The Mayas believed not only in the existence of supernatural beings, but in the goddesses. One invented painting and embroldery, another medicine and one of the virtues that after her death she was raised to a place among the Maya deities. There were gods of poetry, of song, of war, of agriculture, gods of the highways, of the chase, of fisheries, of all professions, and ings. Flowers and fruits were offered to them, as well as human victims, and great ng, feasting and much intoxication. Long watching of the stars and sun there these lotty houses of the priests and divin-

calendar as perfect as our own. The year the maintenance of church and state. Slaves heaven, and he, too, was placed in the catabeen chosen by the people for its king, now assumed the government. Another tribe, headed by the family of Tutul Xiu, probably of Aztec or Toltec origin, had emigrated from the West and established themselves me as perfect a specimen of its own pecul- Yucatan and they lived at first in harmony with the dwellers of the north country. But many quarrels afterwards arose. The Tutul Xius were victorious, they conquered Mayapan, the northern capital. They abandoned Uxmal, where they had long dwelt, and moved to the north. The other chiefs now became tributaries to the Tutul Xius, but it was not long until they rebelled and, col-lecting a powerful allied army, shook off the yoke, defeated the king and divided the

> terns at the center. These were long conlaid in stone and cemented. The cisterns has been turned into a willierness these the present time is deadly to the stranger. has been repeopled several times, the original occupants having perished from the fever. We inquired of the mayoral whether it was healthy at the present time. He answered that the season was a very healthy

> other, which made them an easy prey to

of the low hill on the right we could see great cacti growing higher than the trees and as we approached the village the hennequin fields began again and then the palms and the verdure and white-plastered cabins.

THE SAUCE OF HUNGER. We were hungry as wolves when we eached the fonda, but luckily a gourd which we had filled at Uxmal had furnished us with water on the way, besides a little to hostess at the tavern furnished us with a wretched meal which, however, tasted as if it had come from the best French kitchen, and after an evening's stroll through the town we swung our hammocks upon the rings in the walls of our bare room and tried to sleep. We began to now understand the manifold reasons suggested by the fan merchant in Havana why this was impossible. I was glad enough after counting the

and run. For Mexicans it was almost as another was an Irish priest, with more en-Spanish, Latin, Greek, Dutch, Flemish Chinese, and the Lord knows what else, and we had some native Hoosiers, who took other, then they would tumble on the floor together and slide from side to side amid shrieks of laughter, while others embraced the posts and handrails with desperate tenacity. Next morning, however, the storm subsided and we entered the port of Vera Cruz. WILLIAM DUDLEY FOULKE.

Down the Corridor. (J. M. B. Obit, May 22, 1896.) After a Godspeed to one late our guest We think, here 'twas a laugh, there but

All, all so fresh in memory, the while We hear him singing down the corridor. We say, he will return again ere long: It must be we shall hear again that song! And so we dream him back to us and know The song he sang will never fainter grow As he goes singing down the corridor.

Life's door Death opened for him tenderly, Glad, yet sorrowful, to set him free, And he went singing down the corridor. As in a happy mood one will retain Upon the lip a pleasing song's refrain

All day, nor know, nor care, whence it was Thus, though away from us his steps are

We hear him singing down the corridor. Still other Mays will come, and drear Decem-

fire's embers, But down the passage where the light grows There sounds the song that leads the way

As he goes singing down the corridor.

PROVISIONING A HOTEL.

Quantities of Food Required-Destruc tion of Chinaware-Coffee-Making. Americans are great coffee-drinkers, and

good coffee must be had at every hotel that finds favor. I was curious to learn how the great quanties were kept constantly on hand, and, at the same time, always fresh. The cof-fee pot is a huge affair in which several gallons could be made at once. It is upon the French plan, and boiling water is poured over finely-ground, freshly-parched coffee. One man is kept making coffee all the time He makes it in six-quart quantities, using for breakfast coffee six quarts of water to four pounds of coffee; for dinner coffee the water is reduced to five quarts to four pounds, and fer after-dinner or black coffee to four quarts. The coffee pot is enamthe matter to throw it away. eled inside because this can be kept clean, which tin cannot, as the coffee eats off the tin in a little while, and then in that pot it is next to impossible to make satisfactory coffee. I have mentioned these proportions and this matter of cleanliness of the pot because good coffee is just as easy to make as bad, if the material and the utensil be right. Boiled coffee is no longer served at first-class hotels and restaurants. There is a tremendous breakage of china and glass in the kitchen and dining rooms and on the DEADLY TO THE STRANGER.

After visiting the ruins of Uxmal we remained one night at the hacienda. It was dangerous to stay in this neighborhood too long. At the time when Uxmal was a great city the people, in order to provide water for the dry season, had constructed vast aguadas, or reservoirs, with immense cisterns at the center. These were long considered to be natural lakes until it was found that the bottom had been carefully laid in stone and cemented. The cisterns

Where the Bishops Will Live.

We suspect, in looking over the list, that bishops, as well as presiding elders and some pastors, have squabbles as to where they shall live. Evidently some have the choicest places. But this is as it should be, as it sends a sympathetic thrill along the whole line. Of course, every bishop, like a good Methodist preacher, should accept right loyally his appointment. Merrill will live in Chicago; Andrews, New York; Warren, Denver; Foss, Philadelphia; Hurst, Washington, D. C.; Ninde, Detroit; Walden, Cincinnati; Vincent, Topeka; Mallalleu, Boston; Fowler, Buffalo; FitzGeraid, St. Louis; Joyce, Minneapolis; Newman, San Francisco; Goodsell, Chattanooga; McCabe, New Orleans; Cranston, Portland, Ore. Western Advocate.

"Coming Events," Etc.

Mose Johnson-Wot afis yo'r countenance, s how all three could be hung upon these of the letter N. If the casa de las palomas, the pigeon house, at any moment and it was not the form the gables perforated by the letter N. If the case de las palomas, the pigeon house, at any moment and it was not the form the gables perforated by the case of the letter N. If the case de las palomas, the pigeon house, at any moment and it was not thought best for us to ride further. The nearest hacked as the form the gables perforated by windows, which look like the front of pigeon house, at any moment and it was not thought best for us to ride further. The nearest hacked as the form the same inside the door Quay arose and expendent the figure of the letter N. If the case de las palomas, the pigeon house, at any moment and it was not thought best for us to ride further. The nearest hacked as the form the case de las palomas, the pigeon house, at any moment and it was not thought best for us to ride further. The nearest hacked as the form the door Quay arose and expendent the figure of the letter N. If the case de las palomas, the pigeon house, at any moment and it was not thought best for us to ride further. The noted was six miles away. If we could have shown us how to hang them, houses. These are, however, not the fronts for perforated by windows, which look like the front of pigeon house.

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CURIOUS INDUSTRY

CURIOSITIES IS SUPPLIED.

Collecting Tarantulas, Horned Toads and Other Ugly Creatures a Profitable Calling.

Pasadena Letter in New York Post Strolling over the Mission hills that form ley, I suddenly came upon an was walking along in a stoop examining the ground very carefully at every step. About his neck was a broad band from which hung a canvas bag. He was the first person he had ever met there except the Basque shepherd. I showed him some fossils I had found not far away, and amazed him by promising to point out the

"You are not a collector," said the old fellow; "I can see that." "Why?" I asked.

"Why, collectors never give away a place when they find anything; that's one of the I assured him I was not a collector, where-

"Well, I am a regular collector," he said. Three days a week I leave Los Angeles and take to the woods and collect. No. I haven't any store to speak of, though I have a place, such as it is. My business is selling to curiosity dealers all over the country, and you they take. There is hardly a city in the store and they all want material from California and Mexico. Then there are the resorts. Take the old Chiff House; they used to sell tons of shells, corals, bugs, spiders, sea fans and stuff from all over the world. Take Catalina island; you'd think they would have curiosities enough there, but they buy tons of stuff to sell to the tourists. It's natural for people to want to buy something at a place to remember it by, and Merida by the aft- and the bigger and uglier they are the bet-

> bottle of water. "This," he said, laughing, is the elixir of spider life. As an example, Something was tugging at the other

> "He has heard us, and the moment touched the door up he rushed, and took hold of the under side of the door, which is a silken pad, and held on. BIG SPIDERS.

To prove this he lifted the trap-door so that I could see the hairy legs of the tunnelthe spider retreating to the bottom of the silken column. It was then that the bottle came into play; and a little water poured was quickly transferred to another bottle and killed with chloroform, after which the

"I don't care for the entire length," said the curlosity hunter, "as in some instances it goes down for a foot or more, and has branches; the top with the wonderful silken they come and still they go. What people want them for I can't see. Here is the ugliest thing on earth," and my companion held up to view a bottle containing various many-legged insects, centipedes, with fright-

ful claws or claspers. The average person would avoid such a horror, yet, according to my informant, there is an active demand for them. "I get them beneath old stones and the trunks of trees," he explained, "and thousands are sold every year. Then there are the regular tarantulas like this," taking from the bag another bottle containing several gigantic spiders. "These live in holes and don't build traps. They come out at night, and the time to catch them is early in the morning when they are going home after a night's forage. I preserve them, stuff them with cotton, and when stuck on a card they. bring from four to six bits.
"You hear about their being ugly,"

tinued the old man, "and that they are deadly poison, but that is not so; I have been bitten several times and here I am. I have heard of sick people being bitten by them in Mexico and killed, but it's rare, and you can put the majority of such stories down

"What do people want with such horrible creatures?" I asked. "The more horrible, the more they want them," replied the collector. "The tender-foot buys one to send home, to show his me one what big chances he is tak So with the tourist; he wants something remarkable to send back, and we supply it. Some people want butterflies, some want beetles, and in one beetle we have a trade for the practical jokers. It's a black fellow, and found everywhere in the early morning, crawling along the surface. The moment you touch it stands on its head and from a gland shoots a fluid that looks like iodine, stains like it and has a most noisome odor.

BIRDS ARE SCARCE. "The birds of southern California are in great demand. People want bluebiris and hummers and the nests of humming-birds, especially when on an orange twig. Then the herons and egrets-the big white fellows screens and for various ornamental purposes. But birds are getting scarce, and

quantity with their few years ago they are now very rare. man brings me a bluebird or some other bird, shot out of season, it does not remedy "You'd be surprised at the amount of curi-

osities made out of wood," said my communicative companion, who had made himself comfortable on the sod. "We get rid of cords of it. The bark of the big trees is in great demand made into pin cushions and all kinds of things. Then our native woods, as the manzanita, are cut into canes napkin-rings and numberless other articles. The yucca stalk is also in request, to be turned into all sorts of things, from furniture to pin-cushions. One stalk, that is not supposed to be worth the carrying away, would in the hands of the curiosity man or dealer become very valuable. As an example, when cut up into small pieces, it sells for 5 cents a piece for pin-cushions. A good straight cane of manzanita is worth from

"But for profit," said the collector, "the horned toad is best of all. I buy them by the hundred and sell them, alive or dead. Almost every one who goes East takes a horned toad as a pet, as they are perfectly harmless and create a great deal of aston-ishment in the East. When stuffed they sell equally well for 50 or 75 cents. What use? Why, simply as curiosities; they look so ugly some people consider them as ornamental. In the Chamber of Commerce in Los Angeles there is a picture frame which is ornamented with them. The curious thing about them is that they are not toads at all, but lizards. "You haven't seen any coyotes here, have ou?" asked the old man, picking up hi traps and preparing to start. "I get \$5 a scalp from the State for every coyote. I sell the skin to the furrier for \$1.50, and the skeleton when mounted is worth \$2." and with a nod the old man turned away, water bottle in hand, ready for the next tarantula.

Quay's Memory of Faces. Pittsburg Letter.

Senator Quay gave an exhibition of his remarkable memory of faces to-day. William Peter, of Allegheny, served with Quay in the Legislature in 1887. He had not met the Senator since and walked into his room

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